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Ine Application of

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For:

Nitrosated Nonsteroidal Antiinflammatory Compounds, Compositions and Methods

Group Art Unit: 1626

Examiner: Sackey, E.

of Use

## Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.312

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Examiner is thanked for allowing the above-identified application. While reviewing the file history of the above-identified application, Applicants noticed that an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on October 28, 2003, its corresponding Forms SB-08, and 118 references cited therein were not considered by the Examiner.

Exhibit A is a copy of the postcard filed along with the IDS. It is stamped by OIPE as received on October 28, 2003. The IDS, and its corresponding Forms SB-08 filed on October 28, 2003, are attached hereto as Exhibit B. Copies of the 88 cited references that are not U.S. patents or U.S. patent applications are not attached as they have already been scanned into the system at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. The Examiner has kindly agreed that these references need not be resubmitted.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider the cited references, properly initial the Forms SB-08 to evince that the Examiner has considered the references, and return the initialed Forms SB-08 to Applicants.

## **AUTHORIZATION**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required for this Amendment, or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 08-0219. In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to deposit account no. 08-0219.

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